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SUBJECT: EXIM FINANCING HAN KOOK KUNUP CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD..

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- 1. EMBASSY HAS CONTACTED EPB AND CLARK EQUIPMENT'S AGENT, KOREA INTERNATIONAL, CONCERNING SUBJECT FINANCING. CONFUSION EXISTS AS TO WHETHER PROJECT IS EXIM LOAN OF DOLS 1 POINT 75 MILLION OR EXIM GUARANTEE OF COMMERCIAL BANK LOAN. KOREA INTERNATIONAL REP SAYS IT IS EXIM LOAN. EMBOFF POINTED OUT THAT EXIM CABLE ON PROJECT (REF B) REFERS ONLY TO CREDIT GUARANTEE.
- 2. EPB REP RESPONSED THAT IF EPB APPROVAL IS TO BE FOR EXIM LOAN, SUBJECT LOAN MUST BE PASSED ON BY FOREIGN CAPITAL INDUCEMENT COMMITTEE AND SUCH APPROVAL WOULD TAKE ABOUT TWO MONTHS.
- 3. EPB REP WENT ON TO SAY THAT IF EPB APPROVAL IS ONLY FOR EXIM GUARANTEE, EPB COULD CABLE APPROVAL IMMEDIATELY.

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4. EPB OFFICIALS OBVIOUSLY UNHAPPY WITH CLARK EQUIPMENT'S

LOCAL REP KOREA INTERNATIONAL, WHO EPB REP INDICATED KNEW THAT EPB APPROVAL WAS REQUIREDBUT PREFERRED TO USE BACK DOOR ROUTE.

5. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE EXIM CLARIFICATION ON WHETHER SUBJECT SALE IS EXIM LOAN OR CREDIT GUARANTEE. BPB DOES GIVE PRIORITY TO MID-EAST CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS SUCH AS HAN KOOK KUN-UP IS ENGAGED IN.
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